

**STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
BOARD MEETING SESSION – DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY/OCEAN STANDARDS UNIT
JUNE 5, 2012**

ITEM 16

SUBJECT

REPORT FROM THE STATEWIDE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON COOLING WATER INTAKE STRUCTURES WITH RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING THE IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULES CONTAINED IN STATEWIDE WATER QUALITY CONTROL POLICY ON THE USE OF COASTAL AND ESTUARINE WATERS FOR POWER PLANT COOLING

DISCUSSION

The Statewide Water Quality Control Policy on the Use of Coastal and Estuarine Waters for Power Plant Cooling (Policy) requires the Statewide Advisory Committee on Cooling Water Intake Structures (SACCWIS) to annually provide its recommendations to the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board). The purpose of this information item is for the SACCWIS to report to the State Water Board its recommendations for the Policy's implementation schedule.

At the March 19, 2012 SACCWIS meeting, SACCWIS members heard presentations on the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power Report, the California Independent System Operator Grid Reliability Report, and the Draft 2012 SACCWIS Report. The 2012 SACCWIS Report was adopted by the committee members. The committee is designated to advise the State Water Board on the implementation of the Policy to make sure that the implementation plans and schedules for the facilities covered by this Policy are realistic and will not disrupt the state's electrical power supply.

The SACCWIS, represented by the California Energy Commission SACCWIS member, and State Water Board staff will present the March 19, 2012 SACCWIS Report.

POLICY ISSUE

None. Informational Item only

FISCAL IMPACT

None. Informational Item only

REGIONAL BOARD IMPACT

None. Informational Item only

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

None. Informational Item only

State Water Board action on this item will assist the Water Boards in reaching Goal 6 of the Strategic Plan Update: 2008-2012 to enhance consistency. In particular, approval of this item will assist in fulfilling Objective 6.1 to target consistency improvements in process and policy for Water Board enforcement activities to promote compliance.